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A large and varied collection of Polynesian paddles is to be found in the cases of the Ethnological Hall, displaying the diversity of form and material. The nomenclature characteristic of the productions of these people, the paddles, generally having symmetrical blades, are finely finished and slender, in common with all his Pacific ocean neighbors, was an expert swimmer. The admiration of the Polynesian excited by the sight of the various types of his paddle. Having a skin of a distinctive brown hue, and a plain marked features of character and temperament, the race to be set apart from all others upon the face is not hard to see. His previous home is a question of ethnological research and debate have not been settled. The island of Hawaii in any other countries than the island of the Pacific, though in some respects he has



Mrs. Newwed—"I've brought three of these eggs back to change them."
 Grocer—"They are strictly fresh, ma'am."
 Mrs. Newwed—"No doubt; but the shells are brown, while my new egg cups are blue."—Puck.

Under glass cases are many beautiful crowns, which the popes were wont to wear during the coronation of the new pope, and the consecration for the church. Here also are the "golden roses," given by the head of the church to ladies of royal blood who have rendered distinguished service in the church. They are made by a family living in the neighborhood, who have had a monopoly of the roses for several hundred years. The roses are exquisitely made, and studded with diamonds and rubies, representing a value of over \$5,000.

One of the most valuable is one presented by the queen-Isabella of Spain. It contains 20,000 brilliants. Another valuable one was presented by Napoleon I. to Pius VII. There have been many beautiful crowns, but the most valuable is the crown of St. Peter, which has been taken to guard against theft. The most

teen who entered the married state. These are the ages: twenty-four, forty-five, sixty-one, sixty-two, sixty-three, sixty-four (all living), eighty-five, eighty, eighty-four (still living), seventy-seven, fifty-four, seventy-three and eighty-seven.

"It's All Out."

From Demorest's Magazine.

They had been out yachting, when a squall came up and for a while it was doubtful whether they would continue their existence here or on some other planet. The ladies were frightened into hysterics, and not even one of the gentlemen were without fear. Finally they were landed safely, and every one drew a deep breath. "A relief!" cried the ladies, "there was a danger!" Then a feminine voice remarked devoutly "Thank Heaven! Now let's go

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The oyster, by the way, is a far more complicated animal than is popularly imagined. It has a heart which pumps blood through the vessels of its body, a pharynx through which it breathes, an intestinal canal, a stomach and a system of nerves with a brain. The ends of the nerves are furnished with sense organs, which serve to put the creature into communication with the world. The "heart" is the powerful muscle by means of which the animal keeps hold of

A. Deseperate Request.

Tadpan--'Have you got any old clothes, tadpan?'

'Woman--'No, anything to eat?'

Woman (narratively)--'I got away from there, you see!'

Tadpan (singing away)--'I beg your pardon, what's that?'

Washington. It would not be inopportune to give the result of an examination of the

Mr. Snorkins is bothered by Florida flies

